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SUBJ: BRITISH MILITARY ADVISERS IN KENYA

1. EMBASSY HAS NOTED IN THE COURSE OF PREPARING MILITARY ASSISTANCE PLANNING DOCUMENTS THAT INFORMATION AVAILABLE IN WASHINGTON ON BRITISH MILITARY PRESENCE IN KENYA IS OUT OF DATE. CURRENTLY, BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION NAIROBI HAS A DEFENSE ADVISER (ATTACHE) AT THE RANK OF COL., WHOSE BRANCH OF SERVICE IS ARMY. THERE IS ALSO AN AIR ADVISER IN THE HIGH COMMISSION AT THE LEVEL OF WING COMMANDER, AND AT LEAST ONE NCO. ROYAL NAVY LIAISON OFFICER IN MOMBASA DEPARTED PERMANENTLY IN 1976 AND HIS OFFICE HAS BEEN CLOSED.

2. IN MILITARY ASSISTANCE FIELD, LAST ROYAL AIR FORCE ADVISORY AND TRAINING PERSONNEL LEFT KENYA IN APRIL 1977 UPON COMPLETION OF THEIR MISSION IN CONNECTION WITH THE HAWKER HUNTER PROGRAM. ONLY BRITISH ARMY PERSONNEL STATIONED IN KENYA, APART FROM THOSE ATTACHED TO HIGH COMMISSION IN ATTACHE FUNCTIONS, ARE ONE OFFICER (COL.) AND THREE NCO'S AT KAHAWA BARRACKS NEAR NAIROBI, WHOSE PRIMARY FUNCTION IS ARRANGING LOCAL SUPPORT FOR BRITISH ARMY CONTINGENTS WHO COME TO KENYA ANNUALLY FOR EXERCISES AND
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TRAINING. THERE ARE NO BRITISH MILITARY PERSONNEL INVOLVED WITH KENYA NAVY.
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